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A List of Printed Commissions and Instructions to Royal and Proprietary Governors in the English Colonies of North America

THIS list includes only documents which are printed in full, excluding summaries and extracts. The term "instructions" also requires explanation. As used here, it means the formal document which, together with the commission, was given to each governor on his appointment to his province. Single articles or so-called additional instructions which appear from time to time in the records of nearly every province are not recorded here. Ordinary letters from the home government, or from proprietors, are excluded even though they may contain more or less formal instructions on many matters connected with the government of the province. Commissions to lieutenant-governors are enumerated only when the officer bearing that title was the regular, and not merely the provisional, head of the provincial government, the formal title of governor being reserved for the proprietor or one of the proprietors.

It should be said further that all the British colonies are not included in this list, but only those which afterwards became part of the United States.

In addition to the documents given below, there may be found in Stokes, *Constitution of the Colonies*, p. 150, the form of a royal commission with arbitrary dates and without names.

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1610. Proprietary commission to Lord La Warr, governor of Virginia.
In Brown, *Genesis of the United States*, I. 375.
1618. Proprietary instructions to George Yeardly, governor of Virginia.
In *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*, II. 154.
1624. Royal commission to Sir Francis Wyatt, governor, and the council of Virginia. In Rymer, *Foedera*, XVII. 618.
1626. Royal commission to George Yeardeley, governor, and the council of Virginia. In Rymer, *Foedera*, XVIII. 311.
1626. Royal instructions to Sir George Yardly, governor of Virginia.
In *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*, II. 393.
1628. Royal commission to John Harvey, governor, and the council of Virginia. In Rymer, *Foedera*, XVIII. 980.

- 1635. Proprietary commission to John Winthrop, the younger, governor of the river Connecticut. In Trumbull, *History of Connecticut*, I. 497.
- 1636. Royal commission to John Harvey, governor, and the council of Virginia. In Rymer, *Foedera*, XX. 3.
- 1637. Proprietary commission to Leonard Calvert, governor, and the council of Maryland. In Bozman, *History of Maryland*, II. 572. Also in *Maryland Archives*, III. 49.
- 1641. Royal commission to Sir William Berkeley, governor, and the council of Virginia. In Rymer, *Foedera*, XX. 484.
- 1641. Royal instructions to Sir William Berkeley, governor of Virginia. In *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*, II. 281.
- 1642. Proprietary commission to Leonard Calvert, governor of Maryland. In Bozman, *History of Maryland*, II. 621. Also in *Maryland Archives*, III. 108.
- 1644. Proprietary commission to Leonard Calvert, governor of Maryland. In Bozman, *History of Maryland*, II. 631. Also in *Maryland Archives*, III. 151.
- 1648. Proprietary commission to William Stone, governor of Maryland. In Bozman, *History of Maryland*, II. 642. Also in *Maryland Archives*, III. 201.
- 1656. Proprietary commission to Josias Fendall, governor of Maryland. In Bozman, *History of Maryland*, II. 689. Also in *Maryland Archives*, III. 323.
- 1660. Proprietary commission to Philip Calvert, governor of Maryland. In *Maryland Archives*, III. 391.
- 1661. Proprietary commission to Charles Calvert, governor of Maryland. In *Maryland Archives*, III. 439.
- 1662. Royal instructions to Sir William Berkeley, governor of Virginia. In *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*, III. 15.
- 1664. Proprietary commission to Richard Nicolls, governor of New York. In *Pennsylvania Archives*, second series, V. 509.
- 1665. Proprietary commission to Sir John Yeamans, governor of Clarendon County. In *North Carolina Colonial Records*, I. 97.
- 1665. Proprietary instructions to Sir John Yeamans, governor, and the council of Clarendon County. In *North Carolina Colonial Records*, I. 95. Also in Rivers, *Sketch of the History of South Carolina*, 338.
- 1665. Proprietary commission to Philip Carteret, governor of New Jersey. In *New Jersey Archives*, I. 20.
- 1665. Proprietary instructions to Philip Carteret, governor of New Jersey. In *New Jersey Archives*, I. 21.
- 1666. Proprietary commission to Charles Calvert, governor of Maryland. In *Maryland Archives*, III. 542.
- 1667. Proprietary commission to Samuell Stephens, governor of Albemarle County. In *North Carolina Colonial Records*, I. 162.
- 1667. Proprietary instructions to Samuell Stephens, governor of Albemarle County. In *North Carolina Colonial Records*, I. 162.

1669. Proprietary commission to William Sayle, governor of Carolina, south and west of Cape Carteret. In Rivers, *Sketch of the History of South Carolina*, 340.

1669. Proprietary instructions to the governor and council at Port Royal, Carolina. In Rivers, *Sketch of the History of South Carolina*, 347.

1670. Proprietary instructions to the governor and the council of Albemarle County. In *North Carolina Colonial Records*, I. 181.

1671. Proprietary instructions to the governor and council of Ashley River. In Rivers, *Sketch of the History of South Carolina*, 366.

1674. Proprietary instructions to Andrew Percival, governor of a new plantation on the Edisto River. In Rivers, *Sketch of the History of South Carolina*, 387.

1674. Proprietary commission to Philip Carteret, governor, and the council of New Jersey. In Leaming and Spicer, *Grants and Concessions*, 58.

1674. Proprietary instructions to Philip Carteret, governor, and the council of New Jersey. In *New Jersey Archives*, I. 167.

1674. Proprietary commission to Edmund Andros, governor of New York. In *New York Colonial Documents*, III. 215. Also in *New Jersey Archives*, I. 156.

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1675. Royal commission to Thomas Lord Culpeper, governor of Virginia. In Hening, *Statutes at Large*, II. 565.

1676. Proprietary commission to Thomas Eastchurch, governor of Albemarle County. In *North Carolina Colonial Records*, I. 232.

1676. Proprietary instructions to the governor and council of Albemarle County. In *North Carolina Colonial Records*, I. 230.

1679. Proprietary instructions to John Harvey, president, and the council of Albemarle County. In *North Carolina Colonial Records*, I. 235.

1679. Royal commission to John Cutt (or Cutts), president, and the council of New Hampshire. In *New Hampshire Provincial Papers*, I. 373. Also prefixed to *New Hampshire Province Laws*, ed. 1771.

1681. Proprietary instructions to Henry Wilkinson, governor, and the council of Albemarle. In *North Carolina Colonial Records*, I. 333.

1681. Proprietary commission to William Markham, governor of Pennsylvania. In *Charter and Laws of Pennsylvania*, 470.

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1682. Proprietary commission to Thomas Dongan, governor of New York. In *New York Colonial Documents*, III. 328.

- 1683. Proprietary commission to Robert Barclay, governor of East New Jersey. In Smith, *History of New Jersey*, 166.
- 1683. Proprietary commission to Gawn Laurie, deputy-governor of East New Jersey. In *New Jersey Archives*, I. 423.
- 1683. Proprietary instructions to Gawn Lawrie, deputy-governor of East New Jersey. In *New Jersey Archives*, I. 426.
- 1683. Proprietary instructions to Thomas Dongan, governor of New York. In *New York Colonial Documents*, III. 331.
- 1684. Royal commission to Thomas Lord Culpeper, governor of Virginia. In *Calendar of Virginia State Papers*, I. 14.
- 1686. Royal commission to Thomas Dongan, governor of New York. In *New York Colonial Documents*, III. 377.
- 1686. Royal instructions to Thomas Dongan, governor of New York. In *New York Colonial Documents*, III. 369.
- 1686. Royal commission to Sir Edmund Andros, governor of New England. In Force, *Tracts*, IV, No. VIII.
- 1688. Royal commission to Sir Edmund Andros, governor of New England. In *New York Colonial Documents*, III. 537.
- 1688. Royal instructions to Sir Edmund Andros, governor of New England. In *New York Colonial Documents*, III. 543.
- 1689. Proprietary commission to Philip Ludwell, governor of Carolina, north and east of Cape Fear. In *North Carolina Colonial Records*, I. 360.
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- 1689. Proprietary instructions to John Blackwell, governor of Pennsylvania. In *Minutes of the Provincial Council of Pennsylvania*, I. 318.
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- 1690. Royal commission to Henry Sloughter, governor of New York. In *New York Colonial Documents*, III. 623. (Draft.)
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